Discussion Director

Name: Boram Lee Meeting # 1 Pages: 1-81

Literature Circle's Name: It’s Kind of a Book Club

**Order for Leading Your Group Discussion**

 Call on the Summarizer to read the summary.

 Pose each one of your questions to your group for discussion

 Ask for each member of your group to state their comment/questions about this section of the novel. Lead your group in response to what each person says. Fill in the answers on your Role Sheet.

 Call on the Passage Master.

 Call on the Theme Detailer.

 Fill out the Group Record sheet with input from your group members

 Assign roles for the next reading.

 Turn in the Daily Record Sheet and obtain new Role Sheets for the next meeting.

**Discussion Questions or Topics for Our Lit Circle:**

1. What do you think about book? Do you think “It’s Kind of a Funny Story” so far?

Answer: I think the title is kind of a sarcastic and ironic because the story is not a funny story but is more serious story. The main character, Craig, experiences the depression and begins to smoke a pot. This cannot be a funny story! I like this book so far because this shows the conflicts that many teenagers face.

Group Answer:

2. *It’s Kind of a Funny Story* portrays the dilemma of Craig, a teenage boy. He earned so much to get into the top school and he now questions what he truly is look for. Although he wants to success, Craig cannot bear to feel this anymore. Is Craig’s situation understandable to abandon everything he earned? If you were Craig, would you abandon your accomplishment? Why?

Answer: Craig’s situation is understandable to abandon because even though he tried hard, he now notices that this is not for him. Yet, if I were Craig, I would not abandon my accomplishment because there can be difficulties in everyone’s life and we have to overcome.

Group Answer:

3. What do you think will happen after he yelled off the Brooklyn Bridge? Do you think it is better to admit his problem or to avoid facing it? Do you think this “problem” also occur to you?

Answer: I think he will admit his problem and looks for the solutions. Also, I think it is better to admit his problem is avoiding leads another depression. When I went to the boarding school in the states, I had hard time to adjust but because I admit my dilemma, I could overcome easily.

Group Answer:

4. Craig says, “Except Aaron. Aaron was a real friend; I guess I’d call him my best friend” (53). Aaron is a smart kid, who became friend with Craig when he came to the school. Aaron asked Craig for movie and tried to make him feel comfortable. However, soon, he asked Craig to bring booze for his party. Do you think he was a real friend even though he asked for drink?

Answer: Even though he looks for Craig, I do not think he was a real friend because if he were a real friend, he would not ask him to buy drink illegally. Friend does not mean hang out together; they should embrace and understand each other.

Group Answer:

5. What would you do if you have a friend like Craig?

Answer: If I had a friend like Craig, I would encourage them to overcome their hardship. It would not be easy for her and me to keep our relationship because there could be many conflicts, but if we were real friends, she would listen me. For example, I used to have a friend who was like Craig. I advised to the right track and after she realized her bad routine of life, she corrected herself.

Group Answer: